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1. SECURITY COUNCIL DECLARATION --

WEO SC MEMBERS DISCUSSED CONTINGENCY REACTIONS OF GROUP IF, AS SOME REPORTS INDICATED, AFRICANS WERE PREPARING TO REJECT WESTERN DECLARATION CONCEPT AND DEMAND NEGOTIATION OF AFRICAN DRAFT RESOLUTIONS OR TO TOUGHEN WESTERN DECLARATION DRAFT. GROUP AGREED THEY WOULD NOT CONSENT TO NEGOTIATE AFRICAN DRAFTS, BUT FURTHER DISCUSSION OF REACTIONS SHOULD AWAIT OUTCOME OF AFRICAN GROUP MEETING THEN IN PROGRESS.

SUBSEQUENTLY, AMB YOUNG MET WITH AMBASSADORS RAMPHUL (MAURITIUS) AND HARRIMAN (NIGERIA), WHO SAID THE AFRICAN GROUP COMPRISED SEVERAL ATTITUDES, BUT CONSENSUS WAS TO WORK AT "IMPROVING" (STRENGTHENING) THE WESTERN DRAFT DECLARATION. RAMPHUL EXPRESSED CONFIDENTIAL

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THE CONFIDENCE OF THE AFRICAN GROUP IN THE GOOD WILL AND GOOD FAITH OF AMB YOUNG AND THE NEW US ADMINISTRATION, BUT SAID THEY STILL DOUBTED THE SINCERITY OF MOTIVATION OF OTHER WESTERNERS. HE REMARKED THAT "MANY" IN THE AFRICAN GROUP ARE EAGER TO TABLE THEIR FOUR RESOLUTIONS AND DO NOT FEAR SOLID THREE VETOES BECAUSE OF DEVELOPMENTS OF WHICH THEY ARE AWARE IN EUROPE. THEY DO NOT WANT THE US, WITH ITS HOPEFUL TURN OF POLICY, TO BE LEFT ALONE AS A RESULT OF ANY MANEUVERING, AND THE AFRICAN GROUP, THEREFORE, IS PREPARED TO WORK WITH THE WESTERN DRAFT AND COME BACK WITH A COUNTERDRAFT. RAMPHUL MENTIONED THAT EVEN AFTER ACHIEVING AFRICAN CONSENSUS THEY STILL MUST DEAL WITH CHINESE AND SOVIET DISSATISFACTIONS. HARRIMAN COMMENTED THAT SOVIET/CHINESE POSITIONS ARE NOT VALID IN AFRICAN TERMS AND ARE EASILY REBUTTED, AND ADDED THAT IN ANY EVENT THE CHINESE AND SOVIETS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO CONTROL THE AFRICAN RESPONSE TO THE "NOVEL" AND WELCOME INITIATIVE OF THE US AND THE WEST. HE AND RAMPHUL PROMISED CONCRETE SUGGESTIONS BY MID-DAY MARCH 28. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 888)

2. SECURITY COUNCIL AND SOUTH AFRICA --

NIGERIAN AMB HARRIMAN WAS INITIATOR OF THE BENIN-LIBYA-MAURITIUS REQUEST THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL GRANT A HEARING TO WILLIAM P. THOMPSON, MEMBER OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, IN THE CURRENT DEBATE ON SOUTH AFRICA. AFTER CONSULTING WITH OTHER WEO SC MEMBERS, US ACQUIESCED IN THE REQUEST.
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3. SYG'S REPORT ON THE MIDDLE EAST --

SECURITY COUNCIL, IN CONSULTATIONS UNDER PRESIDENCY OF AMB YOUNG, AGREED TO HOLD SC MEETINGS ON SYG'S REPORT ON THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE CONFERENCE MARCH 25 AND 28 AT 3:30 P.M., AND THEN REVIEW SITUATION WITH VIEW TOWARD EITHER CONCLUDING OR POSTPONING DEBATE. QUESTION OF SOUTH AFRICA WILL CONTINUE TO BE DEBATED IN SC MORNINGS. DURING THE CONSULTATIONS, AMB YOUNG NOTED EGYPT'S EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE DEBATE COULD BE LIMITED TO TWO OR THREE
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SESSIONS, BE NON-CONTENTIOUS, AND THAT OUTCOME WOULD BE A SINGLE, PROCEDURAL-TYPE CONSENSUS STATEMENT. ON MARCH 25 THE SYG WOULD INTRODUCE HIS REPORT AND ONLY EGYPT HAD REQUESTED INSCRIPTION; MARCH 28 ISRAEL AND JORDAN WERE INSCRIBED, HE SAID. LIBYA ARGUED FOR COMPREHENSIVE DEBATE AND POSTPONEMENT UNTIL MID-APRIL. MAURITIUS SUPPORTED EGYPTIAN POSITION, BENIN SUGGESTED MEETING ON THE 25TH AND POSTPONING REMAINDER OF DEBATE UNTIL APRIL, AND CANADA SUGGESTED SYG PRESENT REPORT MARCH 25 AND THEN SET IT ASIDE WITH NO DEBATE. LIBYA CONTINUED TO INSIST THAT MIDDLE EAST ITEMS REQUIRED EXTENSIVE DEBATE. MAURITIUS, AS OAU CHAIRMAN, TELEPHONED EGYPTIAN AMB MEGUID AND REPORTED TO AMY YOUNG EGYPT'S INSTRUCTIONS WERE FIRM TO MEET MARCH 25. YOUNG SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO INSIST ON AT LEAST TWO MEETINGS TO HEAR BOTH SIDES, AND MAURITIUS HELPFULLY ANNOUNCED THAT EGYPT REQUESTED MEETINGS MARCH 25 AND 28 WITH VIEW TO EARLY TERMINATION OF THE ITEM.

AMB YOUNG BRIEFED ISRAELI AMB HERZOG ON PROSPECTS FOR MIDDLE EAST DEBATE. AT HERZOG'S REQUEST, USUN LEGAL ADVISER MET WITH ISRAELI DCM ELIAV, WHO PROPOSED THAT US, AS SC PRESIDENT, RULE THAT PLO PARTICIPATION FORMULA USED IN PAST RAISES MATTERS OF SUBSTANCE AND THAT US VOTE AGAINST THE FORMULATION WOULD CONSTITUTE A VETO. USUN OFFICER EXPLAINED REASONS WHY PRESIDENT COULD NOT REASONABLY DO SO. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 886, 889)

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4. UK CARIBBEAN TERRITORIES AND US VIRGIN ISLANDS--

UKUN MISSION OFFICER INFORMED US THAT BARBADIAN PERM REP
BLACKMAN HAS BEEN CIRCULATING A COMMITTEE OF 24 WORKING

PAPER DEALING WITH UK CARIBBEAN TERRITORIES AND THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS, WHICH THE BRITISH BELIEVE IS INTENDED TO BE A LAUNCHING PAD FOR A NEW INTERNATIONAL FUND TO PROVIDE BOTH DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGETARY ASSISTANCE. THE DRAFT CALLS FOR A REQUEST TO THE SYG, WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE ADMINISTERING POWERS CONCERNED, AND ASSISTANCE OF UNDP, SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND CARICOM, TO UNDERTAKE A STUDY OF THE WAYS AND MEANS OF IMPROVING THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS IN THOSE TERRITORIES, AND URGES ALL CONCERNED TO GIVE THE PEOPLES OF THOSE TERRITORIES THE NECESSARY AID IN ORDER THAT THEY MAY ACHIEVE THEIR LEGITIMATE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 885)

5. AD HOC COMMITTEE ON TERRORISM--

AT BUREAU MEETING, PERSSON (SWEDEN) GAVE CHAIRMAN HOVEYDA (IRAN) DRAFT OF WEOG PROPOSAL FOR CONCLUSION OF COMMITTEE'S WORK, AND HOVEYDA INDICATED PREFERENCE TO WORK FROM THAT RATHER THAN ALGERIAAN PROPOSAL BECAUSE OF LIMITED TIME AVAILABLE. LATER, HOVEYDA GAVE US AND UK COPY OF CONCLUDING SECTION FOR COMMITTEE REPORT THAT INCORPORATED CHANGES TO WEOG PROPOSAL SUGGESTED BY ALGERIAN AND OTHERS. WEO'S DECIDED DRAFT WAS UNACCEPTABLE AND THEY PREPARED AN AMENDED TEXT.

THE COMMITTEE CONCLUDED GENERAL DEBATE MARCH 24 WITH PREDICTABLE STATEMENTS BY CZECHOSLOVAKIA, SYRIA, VENEZUELA, USSR, TUNISIA, GREECE AND UK. VENEZUELA CALLED FOR PRACTICAL MEASURES TO COMBAT TERRORISM. CZECHOSLOVAKIA STRESSED NEED
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TO STUDY UNDERLYING CAUSES, AND CALLED FOR SUPPORT FOR EXISTING CONVENTIONS. IT AND THE USSR SUPPORTED RIGHTS OF NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. SYRIA AND TUNISIA CONDEMNED STATE TERRORISM, AND SYRIA SUPPORTED THE ALGERIAN PROPOSAL. UK MADE STRONG INTERVENTION, CONCENTRATING ON REJECTION OF SELF-DETERMINATION ARGUMENT, AND TANZANIA MADE EMOTIONAL REPLY. ROKINE (USSR), WHO MENTIONED ISRAELI AGGRESSION AGAINST ARAB STATES AND UGANDA, SAID STATES MUST FIRST OF ALL ACT TO PROTECT ALIENS IN THEIR TERRITORY; US, WITH SPECIAL OBLIGATION AS HOST GOVERNMENT, FAILED TO ADEQUATELY PROTECT NATIONALS OF USSR AND OTHERS FROM TERRORIST ATTACKS. WILSON REPLIED TO CHARGES OF USSR AND UKRAINE THAT US FAILED TO ADEQUATELY PROTECT FOREIGNERS FROM ACTS OF TERRORISM, AND REAFFIRMED COMMITMENT TO RIGHT OF INDIVIDUALS TO "LIFE, LIBERTY, AND SECURITY OF PERSON." USSR RESPONDED THAT VERBAL ASSURANCES OF PROTECTION WERE INSUFFICIENT. (CONFIDENTIAL --USUN 890)

6. OUTER SPACE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE--

WORKING GROUP III MARCH 23 CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED TEXTS OF PRINCIPLES ON (1) QUESTION OF DETRIMENTAL USE OF REMOTE SENSING, AND (2) AVAILABILITY OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION. USSR, ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL WERE PRIMARY PROPONENTS OF PRINCIPLE IN SOME FORM LIMITING STATES FROM USING DATA OR INFORMATION DERIVED THEREFROM TO DETRIMENT OF OTHER STATES, WHILE US STRONGLY RESISTED USE OF "DETRIMENTAL". CANADIAN TEXT OF REVIEW PROVISION WAS INTRODUCED, BUT NOT DISCUSSED. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE --USUN 883)

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ITU (BUTLER) OUTLINED IN SUBCOMMITTEE MARCH 23 MAJOR OBJECTIVES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 1977 WARC, AND CONCLUDED THAT RECEPTION OF PROGRAMS BY NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES WOULD BE VERY CONFIDENTIAL

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DIFFICULT UNDER EXISTING ITU PROVISIONS. US (DOYLE), SPEAKING ON REMOTE SENSING, PRESENTED STATISTICAL DATA ON LANDSAT, HOPED SUBCOMMITTEE WOULD ENDORSE REGIONAL COOPERATION APPROACH IN REALIZING BENEFITS OF REMOTE SENSING TECHNOLOGY, AND CITED AND ELABORATED EXAMPLES FROM THE HUNDREDS OF PROJECTS THAT HAVE RESULTED FROM UTILIZATION OF REMOTE SENSING TECHNIQUES. WITH ALL THOSE BENEFITS FLOWING TODAY AND INCREASING, DELEGATES SHOULD APPRECIATE US RELUCTANCE TO FOCUS PRINCIPLES ON PROBLEMS OF UNDEFINED DETRIMENTS, HE SAID.

IN GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT, SIERRA LEONE (GBUJAMA) SUPPORTED INTERNATIONAL REGIME TO GOVERN NATURAL RESOURCES OF MOON, SAID THERE SHOULD BE CLEAR REGULATIONS FOR DBS, AND NOTED THAT REMOTE SENSING PROGRESS WOULD BE CONTINUED. EGYPT (FAHZI) SUPPORTED COMMON HERITAGE OF MOON'S RESOURCES AND ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL REGIME, AS WELL AS PRIOR CONSENT FOR REMOTE SENSING. (USUN 884)

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7. SECURITY COUNCIL -- SOUTH AFRICA

CONTINUING DEBATE ON THE QUESTION OF SOUTH AFRICA MAY 24, THE SC HEARD STATEMENTS BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF BENIN, CHINA, SYRIA, MADAGASCAR AND BOTSWANA. AT THE REQUEST OF BENIN, LIBYA AND MAURITIUS, THE SC ALSO HEARD, UNDER RULE 39, WILLIAM THOMPSON, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES. LISTED TO SPEAK AT THE NEXT MEETING MARCH 25 ARE

REPRESENTATIVES OF GUINEA, ZAMBIA, SENEGAL, ALGERIA AND, TENTATIVELY, GHANA, AS WELL AS, UNDER RULE 39, MAKATINI, PALME AND MINTY.

AT THE OUTSET, PRESIDENT YOUNG DREW ATTENTION TO THE BENIN-LIBYA-MAURITIUS REQUEST THAT AN INVITATION BE EXTENDED, UNDER RULE 39, TO THOMPSON TO SPEAK. UK AMB RICHARD COMMENTED HE WAS NOT OBJECTING, BUT THERE HAD BEEN A NUMBER OF REQUESTS TO HEAR "PERSONS" UNDER RULE 39. HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE USEFUL IN FUTURE IF THE REQUESTS FOR HEARINGS INCLUDED QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PERSON MENTIONED. THIS WAS NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ANY REFLECTION REGARDING MR. THOMPSON, HE ADDED.

BENIN -- HOUNGAVOU BEGAN BY MENTIONING BENIN HAD BEEN THE VICTIM OF A COWARDLY AGGRESSION, AND HE EXTENDED BENIN'S MILITANT SYMPATHY TO THE PEOPLE OF THE CONGO ON THE DEATH OF THEIR PRESIDENT. HE DECLARED THAT THE PRETORIA REGIME "IS VERY DEFINITELY A PRESERVE OF WESTERN IMPERIALISM WHICH HAS ALWAYS BEEN OUR ENEMY." "THANKS TO THE WESTERN POWERS, THE SOUTH AFRICAN REGIME IS A MILITARY FORTRESS USED TO SUPPRESS AND KILL THE AFRICAN PEOPLE." A GREAT DEAL OF THE WEALTH OF THE THIRD WOULD HAD BEEN DRAINED THROUGH THE CAPE ROUTE TO SWELL THE COFFERS OF THOSE IN THE WEST SUPPORTING PRETORIA. IF THE WEST WANTED A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE AND AVOID A BLOODBATH, THEY MUST IMMEDIATELY END ALL MILITARY SUPPLIES TO PRETORIA AND ALL OTHER COLLABORATION, AND ENSURE THAT THE BLACK MAJORITY TOOK
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POWER IN NAMIBIA, ZIMBABWE AND AZANIA.

CHINA -- LAI YA-LI, IN WHAT WAS AN UNCHARACTERISTICALLY LONG STATEMENT FOR THE CHINESE, PRAISED THE ZIMBABWE FREEDOM FIGHTERS, THE ARMED STRUGGLE OF THE NAMIBIAN PEOPLE, AND THE HEROIC AZANIANS. HE SPOKE OF "THE SHAM INDEPENDENCE OF TRANSKEI, AND THE PUPPET "INTERIM GOVERNMENT" BEING RIGGED IN NAMIBIA, AND SAID THEY WERE FRAUDS WHICH HAD BEEN EXPOSED AND CONDEMNED BY THE AFRICAN PEOPLE AND PEOPLE OF THE WHOLE WORLD. HE CRITICIZED "SUPERPOWER MEDDLING AND SABOTAGE," REPEATING WELL-KNOWN CHARGES THAT ONE SUPERPOWER WAS TRYING BY EVERY MEANS TO PRESERVE ITS ENORMOUS VESTED INTERESTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, AND THE OTHER, PARADING AS "NATURAL ALLY" OF THE AFRICAN PEOPLE WAS BENT ON DIVIDING THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND UNDERMINING THE MILITANT UNITY OF THE AFRICAN COUNTRIES IN AN INTENSIFIED EFFORT TO INFILTRATE SOUTHERN AFRICA AND ESTABLISH HEGEMONY THERE. RECENTLY "SOCIAL IMPERIALISM" MUSTERED LARGE NUMBERS OF MERCENARIES FOR A FLAGRANT LARGE-SCALE INVASION OF ZAIRE. THIS WAS THE LATEST EXAMPLE OF ITS ADAMENT HOSTILITY TOWARD THE AFRICAN PEOPLE, AS WELL AS "ANOTHER GLARING REVELATION OF ITS UNBRIDLED HEGEMONIC DESIGN IN AFRICA." LAI RECALLED RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE GA AND THE "SIGNIFICANT" FIRST AFRO-ARAB SUMMIT IN CAIRO. THE SC, HE SAID,

SHOULD ADOPT RESOLUTIONS STRONGLY CONDEMNING THE CRIMES OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN AUTHORITIES, APPLYING A MANDATORY ARMS EMBARGO AND ECONOMIC SANCTIONS, ENJOINING THE SOUTH AFRICAN AUTHORITIES TO STOP REPRESSION AND PERSECUTION OF THE AZANIAN PEOPLE, AND CALLING ON ALL GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES TO ASSIST THE PEOPLE OF AZANIA AND THE REST OF SOUTHERN AFRICA IN THEIR STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE.

SYRIA -- ALLAF STATED THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA COULD NOT SURVIVE WITHOUT THE TACIT SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF CERTAIN WESTERN POWERS AND SIMILAR RACIST REGIMES LIKE THE ZIONISTS. THERE WAS UNDOUBTEDLY NO OTHER ENTITY EXCEPT ISRAEL, BESIDES SOUTH AFRICA, WHICH ADOPTED "THE MYTH OF RACIAL OR RELIGIOUS SUPERIORITY" AS THE BASIC LAW OF THE COUNTRY. ALLAF
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SPOKE AT LENGTH OF PRESIDENT ASSAD'S STATEMENT BEFORE THE AFRO-ARAB SUMMIT CONFERENCE AND THE DECLARATION OF THAT CONFERENCE WHICH HAD REAFFIRMED THE NEED TO STRENGTHEN THE UNIFIED FRONT OF THE AFRICAN AND ARAB PEOPLES IN THEIR STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND PALESTINE. APARTHEID MUST BE ABOLISHED WITHOUT DELAY "BY THE FORCES OF THE UN, IF NECESSARY." SYRIA, HE CONCLUDED REMAINED COMMITTED TO THE STRUGGLE FOR LIBERATION OF EVERY INCH OF AFRICAN TERRITORY WITH THE SAME VEHEMENCE AND DETERMINATION AS TO THE STRUGGLE FOR THE LIBERATION OF EVERY INCH OF OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES.

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WM. THOMPSON, OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, STATED HE WAS APPEARING BEFORE THE SC AS AN INDIVIDUAL, AND DESCRIBED ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE WORLD COUNCIL AND OTHER BODIES TO OPPOSE THE APARTHEID SYSTEM IN SOUTH AFRICA. THE FOCUS OF CONCERN WAS UPON TWO SYSTEMS: FIRST WAS APARTHEID WHICH EXISTS IN SOUTH AFRICA, AND SECOND, WITHOUT WHICH IT COULD NOT SURVIVE, WAS THAT INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM WHICH SUPPORTED AND ENABLED THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TO CONTINUE POLICIES IN GROSS VIOLATION OF THE CHARTER AND UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. HE BELIEVED THE TIME HAD COME FOR AN END TO ALL SALES AND TRANSFERS OF ARMS, MATERIAL, AND MILITARY TECHNOLOGY, THROUGH A MANDATORY EMBARGO SUCH AS THAT APPLIED AGAINST RHODESIA. THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA EXPLOITED THE LABOR OF THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE AND UTILIZED THE NATURAL RESOURCES, AND THE CONTINUED SUPPORTIVE PRACTICES OF MANY COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY THE INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS, HELPED PERPETUATE THE APARTHEID SYSTEM. THEREFORE, THOMPSON BELIEVED A CALL FOR AN END TO ANY INVESTMENTS AND NEW LOANS, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, WAS MORE THAN URGENT, AND THAT THE TIME HAD COME TO CALL ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS TO CLOSE SHOP IN SOUTH AFRICA AND WITHDRAW FROM THEIR INVOLVEMENT THERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

MADAGASCAR -- RASOLONDRIBABE THOUGHT THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION SEEMED FAVORABLE FOR UN ACTION, IT WAS TIME TO SET ASIDE "LEGAL QUIBBLING," AND ADOPTION OF THE MEASURES ASKED BY THE GA, WHICH COULD NOT BE DESCRIBED AS "EXCESSIVE," WOULD MEAN THAT THE COUNCIL HAD SERIOUSLY DECIDED TO "DESTABILIZE" THE ILLIGITIMATE REGIME BY DEPRIVING IT OF ECONOMIC, MILITARY AND POLITICAL SUPPORT. THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA WAS SUCH THAT THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLES 41 AND 42 HAD TO BE APPLIED, HOWEVER DIFFICULT THAT MIGHT BE.

BOTSWANA--TLOU STATED THAT ACCOUNT SHOULD BE TAKEN OF THE FACT THAT THE SOUTH AFRICAN MINORITY WAS IMBUED WITH CONFIDENTIAL

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RACIST INDOCTRINATION AND COULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO DISMANTLE APARTHEID VOLUNTARILY. THIS CANCER IN THE BODY POLITIC OF SOUTH AFRICA CALLED FOR MAJOR SURGERY, IF CHAOS WERE TO BE AVOIDED. THERE WERE THOSE BOTH IN THE SC AND OUTSIDE IT WHO HAD THE POWER AND INFLUENCE TO COERCE PRETORIA TO ABANDON ITS MADE COURSE. LET THOSE NATIONS WHO HAD, AT LEAST THEORETICALLY IN THIS CASE, EXPRESSED HUMANITARIAN CONCERNS, HELP DEFUSE THE HIGHLY-CHARGED VOLATILE SITUATION. THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE CHANGE WOULD ELIMINATE APARTHEID AND GIVE GENUINE POLITICAL RIGHTS TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR OR CREED. SOUTH AFRICAN BLACKS NEEDED NO SERMONS ON PEACEFUL CHANGE BECAUSE THERE WAS ONE OF THE LONGEST PEACEFUL STRUGGLES IN THE HISTORY OF THE ENTIRE AFRICAN CONTINENT. HE MENTIONED THE LUSAKA MANIFESTO, AND SAID THAT IF THE MINORITY REGIME ABANDONED ITS DISASTROUS COURSE AND OPTED FOR MEANINGFUL NEGOTIATIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF POWER, THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS WERE READY AND WILLING TO TALK. HE MENTIONED SOUTH AFRICA'S SUPPORT FOR RHODESIA, WHICH WAS ENGAGING IN VICIOUS ATTACKS AGAINST INDEPENDENT NEIGHBORING AFRICAN STATES. SO FAR PRETORIA HAD DISREGARDED UN DECISIONS IN THE FULL KNOWLEDGE SHE COULD COUNT ON THE SUPPORT OF CERTAIN WESTERN MEMBERS OF THE SC. THE COUNCIL SHOULD NOW, IN ARRIVING AT A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM, ACT UNANIMOUSLY AND RESOLUTELY, AND THE SOLUTION SHOULD MATCH THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION.

8. APARTHEID AND MENTAL HEALTH CARE--

CHAIRMAN HARRIMAN (NIGERIA), OF THE COMMITTEE AGAINST APARTHEID, ISSUED A STATEMENT ON THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S REPORT ON "APARTHEID AND MENTAL HEALTH CARE," WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS A SHOCKING INDICTMENT OF APARTHEID. HE COMMENDED WHO FOR THE STUDY AND APPEALED TO THE MEDICAL PROFESSION AND ALL ORGANIZATIONS AND PEOPLES TO TAKE URGENT ACTION TO END THE INEQUITIES DESCRIBED IN THE STUDY AND TO ASSIST THE SOUTH

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9. COMMITTEE OF 24 SUBCOMMITTEE ON SMALL TERRITORIES--

REPRESENTATIVES OF BULGARIA, NORWAY AND IVORY COAST MADE STATEMENTS IN SUBCOMMITTEE MARCH 24 ON BRUNEI, AND NEW ZEALAND MADE OPENING STATEMENT ON TOKELAU. NEYTCHEV (BULGARIA) SAID THE SECRETARIAT WORKING PAPER ON BRUNEI WAS INADEQUATE AND MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON OTHER ASPECTS WERE NECESSARY. MRS. FINBORUD (NORWAY) POINTED OUT THAT AT THE PRESENT STAGE THE UK DID NOT HAVE "GREAT LEVERAGE" OVER THE STATUS OF A FREE ELECTION IN BRUNEI; THE SUBCOMMITTEE SHOULD RECOGNIZE THE LIMITS POSED UNDER THE TREATY OBLIGATIONS BETWEEN THE UK AND BRUNEI AND HMG'S INABILITY TO INTERVENE IN THE TERRITORY'S AFFAIRS. KOUAME (IVORY COAST) AGREED THE SUBCOMMITTEE NEEDED MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND HE HOPED THE UK WOULD RECONSIDER ITS POSITION AND ATTEND SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS ON THIS QUESTION.

SPEAKING ON TOKELAU, ADAMS (NEW ZEALAND) DESCRIBED THE THREE ATOLLS INHABITED BY 1,575 PEOPLE WHO HAD EXERCISED A GREAT DEGREE OF PRACTICAL SELF-GOVERNMENT. HE SAID IT WAS NOT IN THE REALM OF DECISION-MAKING BUT IN PROVIDING THE MEANS FOR IMPLEMENTING THOSE DECISIONS THAT ACTION WAS NEEDED, AND TO THAT END A MAJOR EXERCISE OF RESTRUCTURING AND STRENGTHENING THE TOKELAU PUBLIC SERVICE HAD BEEN CARRIED OUT. SINCE DECEMBER 1976 SEVEN NEW ZEALAND-BASED TOKELAUANS HAD RETURNED TO TOKELAU TO TAKE UP NEW POSITIONS IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND A NUMBER OF OTHERS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN DOING SO. EXISTING TRAINING PROGRAMS WERE BEING INTENSIFIED AND NEW ONES SET UP. COOPERATIVE STORES WERE BEING ESTABLISHED ON EACH ATOLL, AND UNDP ASSISTANCE WAS BEING SOUGHT IN MARKETING OF HANDICRAFTS AND FISH. MUCH PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE IN TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS, AGRICULTURE AND SOCIAL SERVICES. AS ADMINISTERING POWER, NEW ZEALAND WISHED TO DRAW THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S ATTENTION TO TOKELAU'S STRONG OPPOSITION TO FRENCH

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10. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE --

THE COMMITTEE, IN THE AFTERNOON MARCH 23 AND MORNING MARCH 24, APPROVED MORE DRAFT RULES, BRINGING THE NUMBER ADOPTED THUS FAR TO 48, OF THE TOTAL OF 97 TO BE CONSIDERED. MOST OF THE EXPERTS' TIME, HOWEVER, WAS SPENT DISCUSSING THE PRINCIPLE OF THE USE OF CONSENSUS IN ADOPTING DECISIONS AND THE TYPE OF PUBLICITY THAT SHOULD BE GIVEN TO PUBLIC MEETINGS. EXPERTS FROM GDR, MAURITIUS, ROMANIA, BULGARIA, AND THE SOVIET UNION ARGUED FOR RESTRICTING GENERAL DISTRIBUTION OF SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE COMMITTEE'S PUBLIC MEETINGS, WHILE THOSE FROM THE UK, IRAN, DENMARK, COLOMBIA, FRG, CANADA AND ECUADOR SUPPORTED THE POSITION THAT THE CONVENANT, IN ART. 19, SPECIFICALLY CITED THE RIGHT OF FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION, WHICH INCLUDED THE "FREEDOM TO SEEK, RECEIVE AND IMPART INFORMATION AND IDEAS OF ALL KINDS." REGARDING USE OF CONSENSUS, MOVCHAN (USSR) PROPOSED AMENDING THE DRAFT RULE TO STATE THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO OBTAIN CONSENSUS BEFORE TAKING A DECISION. HE WAS SUPPORTED BY SYRIA AND ROMANIA, AND STRONGLY OPPOSED BY THE UK, DENMARK AND COLOMBIA. EVANS (UK) OBSERVED IT WAS NOT THE COMMITTEE'S PLACE TO FIND COMPROMISES, BUT RATHER TO EXERCISE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT. ACTION WAS DEFERRED UNTIL LATER DATE. THE CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT THE NEXT SESSION IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR MAY 31-JUNE 17 IN GENEVA, ALTHOUGH AUG. 22-SEPT. 9 IN NEW YORK IS ALSO A POSSIBILITY.

11. GILLE APPOINTED ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL --

UN ANNOUNCED THAT SYG WALDHEIM APPOINTED HALVOR GILLE (DANISH NATIONAL), DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UN FUND FOR POPULATION ACTIVITIES, TO THE RANK OF ASSISTANT SYG EFFECTIVE FROM FEB. 10.

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